

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims

1. (currently amended) A lock adapter for an ammunition can having a clamp lever with an aperture, the adapter comprising:

a rod element received through the aperture and mounted to a side of the can, the rod element having a relieved portion distal the side of the can and a length and diameter sized in combination with the relieved portion for clearance of the aperture through an angular displacement of the clamp lever for opening the can, the rod element further having a hole substantially perpendicular to an axis of the rod and located distal a butting surface on the rod engaging the side of the can, the hole of predetermined size to receive a padlock; and

~~means for securing the rod element to the side of the can~~ a bolt received through a drilled hole in the side of the can and engaging a tapped bore in the rod.

2. Cancelled

3. (Currently amended) A lock adapter for an ammunition can as defined in claim 2 1 further comprising:

a Bellville washer received on the bolt intermediate the side of the can and a head of the bolt.

4. (original) A lock adapter for an ammunition can as defined in claim 3 wherein the Bellville washer includes a sealing gasket adjacent the side of the can.

5 – 8. Cancelled.

9. (original) A lock adapter for an ammunition can having a clamp lever with an aperture, the adapter comprising:

a substantially cylindrical rod element received through the aperture and mounted to a side of the can, the rod element having a spherically relieved portion distal the side of the can and a length and diameter sized in combination with the relieved portion for clearance of the aperture through an angular displacement of the clamp lever for opening the can, the rod element further having a hole substantially perpendicular to an axis of the

rod and located intermediate a butting surface on the rod engaging the side of the can and a second end of the rod element, the hole of predetermined size to receive a padlock;

a bolt received through a drilled hole in the side of the can and engaging a tapped bore in the rod; and,

a Bellville washer received on the bolt intermediate the side of the can and a head of the bolt, the Bellville washer includes a sealing gasket adjacent the side of the can.

10. (currently amended) A method for securing an ammunition can having a clamp lever with an aperture, the method comprising the steps of:

drilling a bolt hole in a side of the can adjacent to and collinear with the aperture;

mounting a rod element received through the aperture to a side of the can by

boring and tapping a bore in the rod sized to receive a bolt;

inserting a bolt through the bolt hole into the bore in the rod;

tightening the bolt to secure the rod to the side of the can, the rod element having a relieved portion distal the side of the can and a length and diameter sized in combination with the relieved portion for clearance of the aperture through an angular displacement of the clamp lever for opening the can, the rod element further having a hole substantially perpendicular to an axis of the rod and located distal a butting surface on the rod engaging the side of the can, the hole of predetermined size to receive a padlock; and

inserting a padlock through the hole in the rod element.

11 – 12. Cancelled

13. (currently amended) A method for securing an ammunition can as defined in claim 12 10 wherein the step of mounting further comprises the step of:

inserting the bolt through a Bellville washer prior to inserting the bolt through the bolt hole.

14. (original) A method for securing an ammunition can as defined in claim 13 wherein the Bellville washer includes a sealing gasket and the step of inserting the bolt further comprises the step of:

aligning the Bellville washer with the bolt hole with the sealing gasket in contact with the side of the can.